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(54) **System and method for a tool pane within a markup language document**

(57) A tool pane is included in a markup language document, such as a web page, that allows web page and web parts included in the web page to be modified. The tool pane allows a user to select among various modes for the tool pane including a gallery mode, a properties mode, and a customization mode. During the gallery mode the user may select from additional web parts to add to the page or remove web parts. The properties mode allows the user to adjust the properties of the web parts included in the page. The customization mode allows for customizing the tool pane itself to allow additional functions or restrict selected functions. A tool pane may be partially customized or fully customizes as selected by a user.

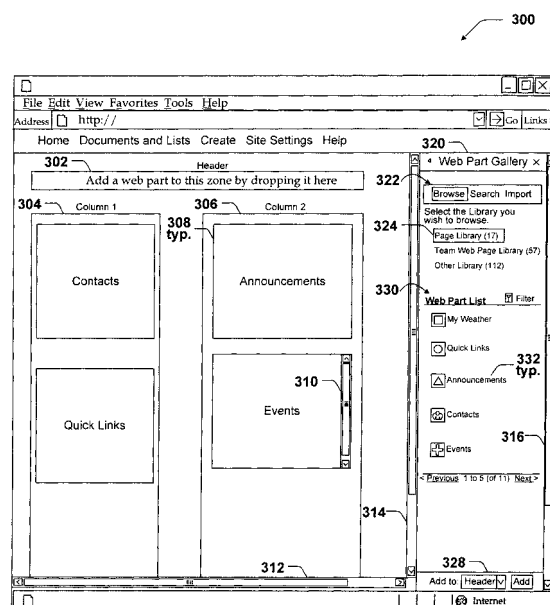


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